(2) THE CHILD'S PARENT OR GUARDIAN IS LIABLE TO THE LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT FOR THE PAYMENTS.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived
 without substantive change from former Article 27, §
 35A(j)(2), (3), and (4).

In subsection (a)(1) of this section, the former reference to a court "of competent jurisdiction" is deleted as unnecessary.

In subsection (a)(2) of this section, the former clause "he has the child in his custody as a child whom he has reason to" is deleted as unnecessary.

In subsection (c)(2) of this section, "public or private", which formerly modified "health care institution", is deleted as unnecessary.

Defined terms: "Abuse" § 5-901
"Child" § 5-901 "Local department" § 5-901

5-911. CHILD ABUSE CENTRAL REGISTRY -- IN GENERAL.

(A) MAINTENANCE.

THE SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION SHALL, AND EACH LOCAL DEPARTMENT MAY, MAINTAIN A CENTRAL REGISTRY OF CASES REPORTED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

(B) SOURCE OF INFORMATION.

THE INFORMATION FOR THE CENTRAL REGISTRY SHALL BE PROVIDED BY THE RESPECTIVE LOCAL DEPARTMENTS THROUGHOUT THIS STATE.

(C) AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION.

THE INFORMATION IN THE CENTRAL REGISTRY SHALL BE AT THE DISPOSAL OF:

- (1) THE PROTECTIVE SERVICES STAFF OF THE SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION;
- (2) THE PROTECTIVE SERVICES STAFFS OF LOCAL DEPARTMENTS WHO ARE INVESTIGATING A REPORT OF SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE; AND
- (3) LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL WHO ARE INVESTIGATING A REPORT OF SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section formerly appeared as Article 27, § 35A(k).

The only changes are in style.